

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**  
Norio INOMATA et al.

**Examiner:** Michael L. Borin, Ph.D.

**Application No.:** 09/171,928

**Group Art Unit:** 1631

**Filed:** October 5, 1998

**Confirmation No.:** 8658

**Title:** PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION FOR TREATMENT OF HEART DISEASE  
BASED ON CARDIAC HYPERTROPHY

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, AMENDMENT, & REPLY**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed March 3, 2005, the period for response to which has been extended up to and including Tuesday, September 6, 2005 (September 3 is a Saturday and September 5 is Labor Day), by the accompanying Petition for a three-month Extension of Time, the Applicants submit a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Applicants submit herewith an Amendment and Reply pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c).

<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>		Application Number 09/171,928	
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 2px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 10px; margin-right: 10px; text-align: center;">           SEP 06 2005            PATENT &amp; TRADEMARK OFFICE         </div> <div>           Address to:            Commissioner for Patents            Mail Stop RCE            P.O. Box 1450            Alexandria, VA 22313-1450         </div> </div>		Filing Date: October 5, 1998	
		First Named Inventor Norio INOMATA	
		Art Unit 1631	
		Examiner Michael L. Borin, Ph.D.	
		Attorney Docket No. 42737.0336	
This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.			
<b>1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114</b> Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).			
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Previously submitted If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.	
	i.	<input type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on	
	ii.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Enclosed	
	i.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply <input type="checkbox"/>	iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
	ii.	<input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)	iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
<b>2. Miscellaneous</b>			
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)	
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	
<b>3. Fees</b> (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)			
a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.	
	i.	x RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)	
	ii.	x Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)	
	iii.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check in the amount of \$ 1,810.00 enclosed	
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)	
<b>SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED</b>			
Name Mercedes K. Meyer, Ph.D., Esq.		Registration No.	
Signature <i>Mercedes K. Meyer</i>		Date	September 6, 2005
<b>CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING OR TRANSMISSION</b>			
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with Express Mail Label No. *US addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on September 6, 2005.			
Name		Date	
Signature		Date	

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